



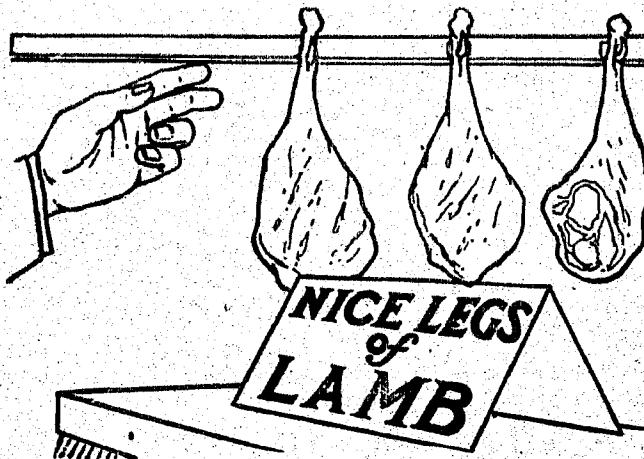
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HOW about a nice leg of lamb for dinner? We can supply just what you want. You'll be delighted with the meat we sell. We have plenty of customers in town—friends of yours, no doubt—who pay us the high compliment of saying that we *really* know good meat.

F. H. Milk's Market Phone No. 2

The Wisdom of Buying

is in knowing what to get, where to find it, and how much to pay. When you have solved these three problems you have qualified as an expert shopper.

Women Are Critical

and hence are good shoppers. But you seldom see a frown on a face in this store, and it is just because our stock of Groceries is the best to be found in this entire community. Always fresh and up to the minute in every detail.

Call or Phone No. 25 and your order will be promptly delivered

H. PETERSEN,
Your Grocer.

School Notes.

The Algebra III class are wrestling with quadratic equation.

The German I class has begun the reading of "Im Vaterland".

Christmas preparations are already manifest in the different rooms.

The Christmas booklets of the South primary are coming along nicely.

The South side second grade are making spelling booklets this week.

The third grade are very interested in the children of the desert and their camel.

Henrietta Stephan and Ula Stillwell are absent from the eighth grade this week.

The Christmas spirit is creeping out in the songs, stories and conversation of the third grade.

The pupils of the eighth grade have bought the last month's magazines for the reading table.

School will close Tuesday, Dec. 22, for a vacation of two weeks, resuming work on Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Crocheting is quite the fad in the third grade room on the South side, both boys and girls being very apt at it.

The South side primary had their Santa Claus fun last week and are now enjoying Christmas in other lands—Norway, Germany, Holland and England.

The next number on the entertainment course will be given by Edward Elliott, entertainer and character portrayer, Monday evening, Dec. 21, at the Temple theatre.

John Phelps, Herman Hanson, Emerson Brown, Mijo Nielsen, Nyland Houghton, Bernice McNeven and Olga Nielsen are on the third grade E honor roll for November.

"The Yule log glows. The rising smoke in incense wraps the encircled friends as memory draws them near. Bright Christmas tide! To you, to me, to all how sweet thy pleasures! How deep thy gravures on our hearts!"

Celebrate Anniversaries.

Last Saturday evening while Mr. and Mrs. Delavan Smith were quietly celebrating his seventieth birthday and their wedding anniversary by taking supper and spending the evening at the home of their son, A. W. Smith, there came a hurried call to return to their home, where they found nearly fifty of their friends had taken possession.

As they seemed very peacefully inclined and an old soldier not easily frightened, they soon settled down to thoroughly enjoy an evening spent in visiting and enlivened with excellent music, until the guests were invited to the dining room, where an elegant self-serve lunch awaited them, the central attractions of which were the large wedding and birthday cakes, appropriately ornamented.

At this time they were presented with two beautiful pieces of cut glass, and all present responded in their hearts to the thought expressed, "that although they had entered upon the eventide of life, it might prove the happiest part of their lives."

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Danish School Gymnastics.

(By L. C. BUNDGAARD)

Now, that Grayling is to have a gymnasium, I think it proper to say a few words about the purpose of such a building and the fundamental idea of the gymnasium system which is to be used there.

As gymnastics in America have been understood hitherto, with the exception of a few schools, it has been understood as basket ball, acrobatic stunts, boxing, wrestling, horizontal bar and other stunts, with no underlaying of any pedagogical value.

All these things we see in the Y. M. C. A. and most universities are of German origin, and all these exercises have no physiological and pedagogical foundation. I do not say that the German "Turnen" can not be used to any physiological advantage.

We have taken from the German system many exercises and planted them on the foundation that Ling laid in 1813.

Gymnastics does not mean stunts and it does not mean sport as some people classify it. Gymnastics is a Greek word. The Greeks were the first ones who had the right understanding of a perfect body and the Scandinavians were the first ones who fully understood the old Greek ideal and therefore, has the Ling system always that motto in view: "A sound soul in a sound body." Look at the sculptural art from the days when Greece was in its glory and there is no dispute about what a perfect and harmonious body is. The schools are seeking for a system of physical training that is pedagogical as well as physiological and Europe has chosen the Ling system—that does not include Austria and Germany.

American school authorities are interested in physical training and it has been questioned: "Who can give the best answer of a gymnastic system in the public schools?" The Ling system has given the answer. I will only refer to Chicago, Nashville, Hutchinson and New York.

The fact is that the Ling system is the only system that has exercises fit for children and, therefore, my first article will be about children's gymnastics.

In Denmark every school, no matter of what kind, has its own gymnasium or ground fitted for it. It has been realized that if the young people are to be anything like man and woman, it must take the stars in the childhood days. First when every limb on the tree is sound can we expect sound fruit.

As said before, the Ling system was

Artistic Decorating.

As well as house painting can be had at a nominal price, by giving your order during the winter for spring work. See me about prices and suggestions for satisfactory work.

12-10-tf. NEMESIS NIELSEN, Artist.

Buy Your Christmas Presents Early

Holiday Suggestions

A few of the many pretty and useful presents we now have on display:

A Fine Assortment of Handkerchiefs

in Burnt Wood and other Fancy Boxes, in Plain, Embroidered and Initials, also in Leatherette Cases and Folders.

Holiday Aprons

Aprons for the maid and nurse, Aprons for the kitchen and sewing hour, in fact aprons for every possible occasion.

Also a new line of Ladies and Gents' Silk Hosiery.

For the Ladies

A full line of Ladies' Messaline Underskirts in all the new shades at popular prices. A new line of Fancy Towels, Pillow Cases, Shirt Waists and Gowns to be embroidered.



For the Gentlemen

FANCY TIES,
SUSPENDERS,
HOSIERY,
all in Fancy Boxes

We have many other beautiful and useful presents too numerous to mention

EMIL KRAUS

Grayling's Leading Store

Santa Claus is Coming



Kind Friends and Customers:

This will be my first Xmas in your midst and I want it to be kindly remembered. I take this opportunity to make you twice glad and to make it a kindly remembrance for the old year which will soon be past. Saying amounts to nothing unless carried out by so doing.

I have not only been gratified, but I am highly pleased with my trade. I want you to make this store your Xmas headquarters, not only yourself but your children as well. I have been selecting many useful and attractive articles to supply your useful wants.

In the next issue of this paper watch for my announcement of a full line of Holiday goods.

Fathers, Mothers, Sisters, Brothers and all. Please bear in mind. Don't wait until the last minute to purchase your Xmas presents, but come and choose same and have them laid away.

Ladies' Shirt Waists

The greatest clean up for the whole season commences at Frank's just at the right time. Ladies' Waists consisting of voiles, linens, Roman stripes, blacks and white in silks and satins.

1 lot values 1.25 and 1.50, at 87c.
" 2.25 and 2.75, at \$1.95.
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Also black and green velvet waists with messaline sleeves, value 3.00 and 3.50, at \$2.48.

All of our 4.00 and 4.50 Roman stripe waists must be closed out at \$3.48.

Ladies look at our Dresser Scarfs, Center Pieces. Just the thing for Xmas presents. Dresser Scarfs and Center Pieces from 48c to \$3.00.

Ladies Dress Skirts in black mercerized. Skirts 48c, 69c and 98c.

Green messaline satin, val. 2.50, at \$1.95. Orange Japanese silk, value 4.00, for \$3.25. Ladies Night Dresses 48c and 98c.

Ladies Hose

50c values at 35c; plain blacks 35c values at 25c, and grays 25c values at 19c, also white.

Ladies White Skirts 48c, 69c, a beautiful skirt at 98c.

Skirt Muslin, Drawers, Swiss Embroidery at 25c and 48c. Just what you need.

Ladies Underwear in unions, at 48c, value 75c; 98c, value \$1.25, exceedingly fine one.

Two-piece Underwear at 25c and 48c per garment.

Ladies fine wool Union Suits, values 2.50, at \$1.85.

Ladies beautiful lines of Hemstitched and Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c.

Ladies Coats, values 18.00, at \$12.75.

Ladies Coats, values 15.00 and 16.00, at \$11.00.

Ladies Coats, value 12.50, at \$10.95.

All Black Pony Coats, larger sizes, value 8.85, at \$6.75.

Ladies Slippers in moccasins, wool and felts, also leathers, at 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50.

German Silver Mesh Bags ranging from \$1.25 to \$4.50.

Ladies nice Hand Bags in black only, with mirror, small purse and powder puffs inside, ranging from \$1.00 to \$3.50.

Beautiful line of Men's Neckwear, one special line at \$1.25; one line at 75c; one line at 50c; one line at 35c; one line at 25c and a few ties at 15c and 18c.

Men's fine Suspenders 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.

Men's fine Silk Lisle Hose at 25c, in black, tan and white, a fine hose. Fine cashmere at 15c, 18c and 25c. Extra heavy cashmere "Foot Warmer" at 35c.

To the Mothers:

Boys' Plaited Suits, from 4 to 8, at \$1.95. Boys' Blue Serge Sailor Suits with red star, at \$1.75.

Men's Overcoats, 15.00 values, at \$12.00.

Men's Overcoats, 12.50 values, at \$10.50.

Men's Black Kersey Overcoats, formally 10.00 and 12.00 values, at \$8.85.

Men's Sweaters at \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Men's Sweaters at \$3.00 and \$5.00.

Men's Mackinaws, value 7.00, at \$4.95.

Men's Mackinaws, value 9.00, at \$7.50.

Men's Mackinaws, value 12.00, at \$9.50.

Men's Garters at 10c, 15c and 25c, individual holiday boxes.

Men's and Boys' Hockey Caps 25c to 50c

Watch for my next issue

on Holiday Gifts

FRANK DREESE

THE YELLOW FRONT STORE, OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE, GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

WE MUST OPEN UP GATES OF TRADE

All Important Problem Which
Now Confronts Congress,
Says President.

SHIPS OUR GREATEST NEED

America Feels No Nation is Am-
ply Able to Defend Itself—Great
Task Ahead in Helping to
Restore Peace—Economy
is Strongly Urged.

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Wilson today delivered his annual address to congress. Problems brought out by the great conflict in Europe engaged the greater part of his attention. The message follows:

Gentlemen of the Congress:
The season upon which you are now entering will be the closing session of the Sixty-third congress, a congress, I venture to say, which will long be remembered for the great body of thoughtful and constructive work which it has done, in loyal response to the thought and needs of the country. I should like in this address to review the notable record and try to make adequate assessment of it; but no doubt we stand too near the work that has been done and are ourselves too much part of it to play the part of historians toward it. Moreover, our thoughts are now more of the future than of the past.

While we have worked at our tasks of peace the circumstances of the whole age have been altered by war. What we have done for our own land and our own people we did with the best that was in us, whether of character or of intelligence, with sober enthusiasm and a confidence in the principles upon which we were acting which sustained us at every step of the difficult undertaking; but it is done. It has passed from our hands. It is now an established part of the legislation of the country. Its usefulness, its effects, will disclose themselves in experience. What chiefly strikes us now, as we look about us during these closing days of a year which will be forever memorable in the history of the world, is that we face new tasks, have been facing them these six months, must face them in the months to come—face them without partisan feeling, like men who have forgotten everything but a common duty and the fact that we are representatives of a great people whose thought is not of us but of what America owes to herself and to all mankind in such circumstances as these upon which we look amazed and anxious.

Europe Will Need Our Help.

War has interrupted the means of trade not only but also the processes of production. In Europe it is destroying men and resources wholesale and upon a scale unprecedented and appalling. There is reason to fear that the time is near, if it be not already at hand, when several of the countries of Europe will find it difficult to do for their people what they have hitherto been always easily able to do, many essential and fundamental things. At any rate they will need our help and our manifold services as they have never needed them before; and we should be ready, more fit and ready than we have ever been.

It is of equal consequence that the nations whom Europe has usually supplied with innumerable articles of manufacture and commerce of which they are in constant need and without which their economic development halts and stands still can now get only a small part of what they formerly imported and eagerly look to us to supply their all but empty markets. This is particularly true of our own neighbors, the states, great and small, of Central and South America. Their lines of trade have hitherto run chiefly athwart the seas, not to our ports, but to the ports of Great Britain and of the older continent of Europe. I do not stop to inquire why, or to make any comment on probable causes. What interests us just now is not the explanation, but the fact, and our duty and opportunity in the presence of it. Here are markets which we must supply, and we must find the means of action. The United States, this great people for whom we speak and act, should be ready, as never before, to serve itself and to serve mankind; ready with its resources, its energies, its forces of production, and its means of distribution.

We Need Ships.

It is a very practical matter, a matter of ways and means. We have the resources, but are we fully ready to use them? And if we can make ready what we have, have we the means at hand to distribute it? We are not fully ready; neither have we the means of distribution. We are willing, but we are not fully able. We have the wish to serve and to serve greatly, generally; but we are not prepared as we should be. We are not ready to mobilize our resources at once. We are not prepared to use them immediately and at their best, without delay and without waste.

Must Open Gates of Trade.

Hence the pending shipping bill, discussed at the last session, but as yet passed by neither house. In my judgment such legislation is imperatively needed and can not wisely be postponed. The government must open these gates of trade, and open them wide; open them before it is

altogether profitable to open them, or altogether reasonable to ask private capital to open them at a venture. It is not a question of the government monopolizing the field. It should take action to make it certain that transportation at reasonable rates will be promptly provided, even where the carriage is not at first profitable; and then, when the carriage has become sufficiently profitable to attract and engage private capital, and engage it in abundance, the government ought to withdraw. I very earnestly hope that the congress will be of this opinion, and that both houses will adopt this exceedingly important bill.

The great subject of rural credits still remains to be dealt with, and it is a matter of deep regret that the difficulties of the subject have seemed to render it impossible to complete a bill for passage at this session. But it can not be perfected yet, and therefore there are no other constructive measures the necessity for which I will at this time call your attention to; but I would be negligent of a very manifest duty were I not to call the attention of the senate to the fact that the proposed convention for safety at sea awaits its confirmation and that the limit fixed in the convention itself for its acceptance is the last day of the present month. The conference in which this convention originated was called by the United States; the representatives of the United States played a very influential part indeed in framing the provisions of the proposed convention; and those provisions are in themselves for the most part admirable. It would hardly be consistent with the part we have played in the whole matter to let it drop and go by the board as if forgotten and neglected. It was ratified in May last by the German government and in August by the parliament of Great Britain. It marks a most hopeful and decided advance in international civilization. We should show our earnest good faith in a great matter by adding our acceptance of it.

Charting of Our Coasts.

There is another matter of which I must make special mention, if I am to discharge my conscience, lest it should escape your attention. It may seem a very small thing. It affects only a single item of appropriation. But many human lives and many great enterprises hang upon it.

It is the matter of making adequate provision for the survey and charting of our coasts.

It is immediately pressing and urgent in connection with the immense coast line of Alaska. A coast line greater than that of the United States themselves, though it is also very important indeed with regard to the older coasts of the continent. We cannot use our great Alaskan domain, ships will not ply thither, if those coasts and their many hidden dangers are not thoroughly surveyed and charted.

The work is incomplete at almost every point. Ships and lives have been lost in threading what were supposed to be well-known main channels. We have not provided adequate vessels or adequate machinery for the survey and charting. We have used old vessels that were not big enough or strong enough and which were so nearly unseaworthy that our inspectors would not have allowed private owners to send them to sea. This is a matter which, as I have said, seems small, but is in reality very great.

And there is another great piece of legislation which awaits and should receive the sanction of the senate:

I mean the bill which gives a larger measure of self-government to the people of the Philippines. How better, in this time of anxious questioning and perplexing policy, could we show our confidence in the principles of liberty, as the source as well as the expression of life, how better could we demonstrate our own self-possession and steadfastness in the courses of justice and disinterestedness than by thus going calmly forward to fulfill our promises to a dependent people, who will now look more anxiously than ever to see whether we have indeed the liberality, the unselfishness, the courage, the faith we have boasted and professed. I cannot believe that the senate will let this great measure of constructive justice await the action of another congress. Its passage would nobly crown the record of these two years of memorable labor.

An Important Duty.

But I think that you will agree with me that this does not complete the toll of our duty. How are we to carry our goods to the empty markets of which I have spoken if we have not the certain and constant means of transportation upon which all profitable and useful commerce depends?

And how are we to get the ships if we wait for the trade to develop without them? To correct the many mistakes by which we have discouraged and all but destroyed the merchant marine of the country, to retrace the steps by which we have, it seems almost deliberately, withdrawn our flag from the seas, except where here and there, a ship of war is hidden carry it, or some wandering yacht displays it, would take a long time and involves many detailed items of legislation, and the trade which we ought immediately to handle would disappear or find other channels while we debated the items.

The case is not unlike that which confronted us when our own continent was to be opened up to settlement and industry, and we needed long lines of railway, extended means of transportation prepared beforehand, if development was not to last indefinitely and wait indefinitely. We labored substantially the building of transcontinental railroads. We look back upon that with regret now, because the subsidies led to many scandals of which we are ashamed; but we know that the railroads had to be built, and if we had it to do over again we should of course build them, but in another way. Therefore I propose another way of providing the means of transportation which must precede, not tardily follow, the development of our trade with our neighbor states of America. It may seem a reversal of the natural order of things, but it is true that the routes of trade must be actually opened—by many ships and regular sailings and moderate charges—before streams of merchandise will flow freely and profitably through them.

Ready for Defense.

From the first we have had a clear and settled policy with regard to military establishments. We never

had, and while we retain our present principles and ideals we never

shall have, a large standing army. If asked, are you ready to defend yourselves? We reply, most assuredly, to the utmost; and yet we shall

not turn America into a military camp. We will not ask our young men to spend the best years of their lives making soldiers of themselves. There is another sort of energy in us. It will know how to declare itself and make itself effective should occasion arise. And especially when half the world is on fire we shall be careful to make our moral insurance against the spread of the contagion very definite and certain and adequate indeed.

Let us remind ourselves, therefore, of the only thing we can do or will do. We must depend in every time of national peril, in the future as in the past, not upon a standing army, nor yet upon a reserve army, but upon a citizenry trained and accustomed to arms. It will be right enough, right American policy, based upon our accustomed principles and practices, to provide a system by which every citizen who will volunteer for

the training may be made familiar with the use of modern arms, the rudiments of drill and maneuver, and the maintenance and sanitation of camps.

We should encourage such training and make it a means of discipline which our young men will learn to value. It is right that we should provide it not only, but that we should make it as attractive as possible, and so induce our young men to undergo it at such times as they can command a little freedom and can seek the physical development they need, for their health's sake, if for nothing more. Every means by which such things can be stimulated is legitimate, and such a method accords of true American ideas. It is a right, too, that the National Guard of the states should be developed and strengthened by every means which is not inconsistent with our obligations to our own people or with the established policy of our government. And this, also, not because the time or occasion specially calls for such measures, but because it should be our constant policy to make these provisions for our national peace and safety.

These are large and general standards, but they are not very difficult of application to particular cases.

The National Defense.

The other topic I shall take leave to

mention goes deeper into the principles of our national life and policy.

It is the subject of national defense. It cannot be discussed without first answering some very searching questions.

It is said in some quarters that we are not prepared for war. What is meant by being prepared? Is it meant that we are not ready upon brief notice to put a nation in the field, a nation to let it drop and go by the board as if forgotten and neglected. It was ratified in May last by the German government and in August by the parliament of Great Britain. It marks a most hopeful and decided advance in international civilization. We should show our earnest good faith in a great matter by adding our acceptance of it.

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The Christmas Gift Store

We will present one of the most beautiful assortment of Holiday Goods that has ever been shown in this city. We believe that you will agree with us when we claim that our store now occupies first place in the hearts of discriminating buyers. Our stock of Holiday Goods is better this year than ever before and at the lowest prices.



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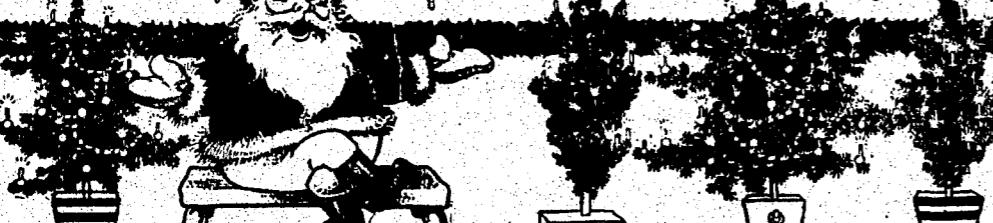
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Wait for Her, Boys!

The girl who is unkind to her mother isn't worth a tinker's doggone. This isn't written in any part of the Bible, but it's written in the history of thousands and thousands of misfit homes. If one of you boys ever run across a girl with her face full of roses; with eyes that would dim the luster of a Colorado sky and with a voice that would make the song of an angel seem discordant, and she says, as she comes to the door:

"I can't go for a few minutes, I've got to help mother with the dishes." Don't give her up. Stick to her like a burr to a mule's tail. Just sit down on the door-step and wait. If she joins you in two or three minutes, so much the better; but if you have to stay there on the door-step for a half hour, or an hour, you just wait for her. If you don't somebody else will, and in time you'll be sorry, for you'll realize what you have lost.

Wait for her, boy. She's worth it.

LOUISE DUNBAR TO BE SEEN IN GRAYLING AGAIN.

Well Known Light Eternal Star Coming to the Opera House in a New Play, Tuesday, Dec. 15th.

For the last two years there has not been a week that Miss Louise Dunbar has not received letters inquiring the nature of play with which she desired to succeed the "Light Eternal", in which drama she was successfully featured for five years. Some of these letters have been from well-known play-writers, authors desirous of writing her new play, while others have come from her many admirers, who have been speculating as to whether she would produce another historical drama or if her next production would deal with modern conditions.

Both play-writer and admirer have received the same reply—"My next play must depict every-day life. Its characters must be real, men and women we are liable to meet before the sun goes down today. Its characters must also be natural; not exaggerated and over-drawn as is the case in most all so-called modern dramas. And I want my new play to exhibit the selfish injustice of the husband that dominates some of our homes today. I do not mean suffrage, for I believe that question will work out its own salvation in due time. But I do want to illustrate that marriage can culminate in lasting happiness only through a trusting, confident partnership between husband and wife."

And such is the kind of play Miss Dunbar has found in "THE FORBIDDEN WAY", which she will bring to the Grayling opera house on Dec. 15th. Every situation in this drama is so tense, yet so natural, that you feel that you are actually living the story that is being unfolded before you. In every character you recognize a duplicate of some friend or acquaintance. In fact, the most rabid critic would be put to his task to find anything in this play that even tends to the artificial.



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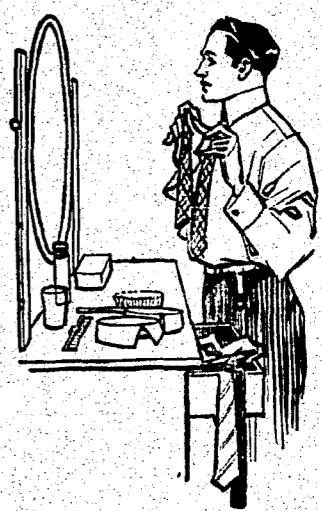
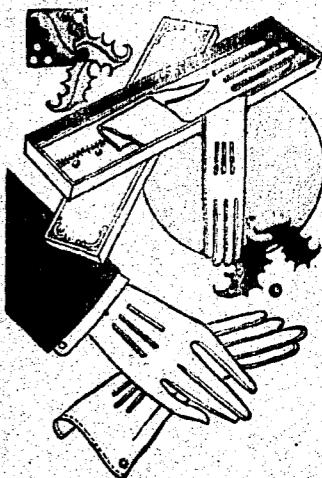
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NOTES FROM THE LEGISLATURE

By H. H. WHITELEY

the first Wednesday in January as the opening day of the session.

J. Lee Morford and Frank H. McPhillips are the only two members of the house last session who will be members of the incoming senate.

There will be but five Democrats in the lower house and three in the senate at the coming session.

There is a widespread prejudice against the legislature as a body. A well known farm paper recently said it this way:

"Legislatures almost may be classed as necessary evils. The open season for them is at hand. The usual grist of freak bills, half-baked ideas and half digested legislation will be shoveled into the hopper along with measures of serious import, and 90 per cent of the important business will be rushed through on the last day of the session."

"And I, myself in days gone by, have been prone to speak lightly of the capabilities of the law-making body of the state. Perhaps the trouble lies in trying to do too much. Undoubtedly the people can get along without a lot of the laws someone is clamoring for, so why not devote serious consideration to the really important things and not waste so much time with the non-essentials. But this is not as easy as it reads, for every measure introduced has some influence whether it is always active.

"Whether a legislature is a 'strong' body or not is largely shown by its ability to ignore the lesser influences and center its activities on the things of greater import."

The state legislature will be asked to consider a plan at its coming session to make the Michigan state fair a state-owned and controlled exposition.

Both to Blame.

Husband (quarreling) - Woman,

when I married you, you promised to

love, honor and obey me. Do you do it?

She (just as mad) - Yes, before I

married you, you promised to take me

to the picture show at least five times

a week. Do you do it? - Moving Pic

ture Stories.

The workmen's compensation law, which has been a powerful instrumentality for the assistance of the laboring classes, has before it a wider field,

it is said, to which its principles can

be supplied, and legislation which will

broad its scope is to be asked for.

The legislature will convene, not on

January 1st, as many suppose, but

January 6th. The constitution fixes

Grayling Opera House

Tuesday Night, Dec. 15

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"The Light Eternal"

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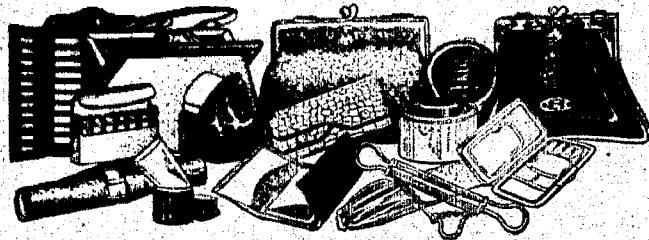
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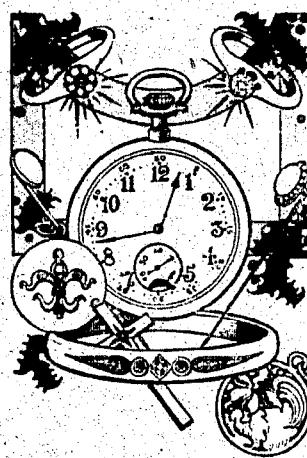
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Cameron Game returned from Mt. Pleasant last Friday.

Mr. John Maeney is in Ann Arbor having his ears treated.

Central Drug store for the new things in Christmas goods.

Remember that our band has their concert on Thursday night Dec. 17.

Francis Reagan will render one of his finest solos at the band concert.

When you want candy that is candy, buy Tiggitt's at Lewis' Drug Store.

Herluf Sorenson went to Detroit Saturday night to have his eye treated.

Jerry Lovelock closed his camp temporarily on account of not having any snow.

S. L. Mead and family have moved into the Wm. Butler house near the hospital.

Mrs. Emil Hanson and little daughter, Elizabeth, are visiting friends in Bay City.

Miss Dorothy Judge is entertaining her sister, Miss Rose Judge of Alma, Michigan.

To reserved seat tickets for the band concert will be on sale at Olson's Drug store.

A Sheaffer Fountain Pen makes a nice Christmas present. A. M. Lewis sells them.

Miss Mildred Grasley of Roscommon was a guest of Miss Angie Van Patten on Friday last.

Jack Hughes of Bay City spent Sunday with his brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hughes.

For First Class Livery and Heavy Work call Peter Jorgenson, Phone 853. Open day and night.

Miss Francelia Wingard is the assistant clerk in the Sorenson Bros. store during the holidays.

Mrs. T. W. Hanson returned from Bay City last Thursday, where she had been visiting relatives.

Claud Gillson will play the well known classical baritone solo "The Message" at the band concert.

Mrs. Victor LaLonde was removed from Mercy hospital to her home in Roscommon Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Jane Standard is entertaining her sister and brother, Miss Clara Moore and Will Moore of Burt, Michigan.

Your friends will appreciate a Christmas card. We have a fine line from 1c to 25c, also art calendars at 25c. Sorenson Bros.

Miss Anna LaMotte is visiting friends in Detroit, Grand Rapids, Flint and Bay City. She expects to return about Christmas.

Mrs. J. O. Goudron returned from Swartz Creek Tuesday afternoon, where she had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jake Collins.

The fire, that broke out at Coulter's residence Saturday, burned a small hole in the roof, which was repaired before the fire department left.

Miss Johanna Hendrickson has been entertaining her friend, Nels Christensen from Grant, Michigan. He returned to his home Tuesday afternoon.

Thermos bottles in cases, casseroles, stationery, touring sets, ivory and ebony goods, and many other beautiful things await you at the Central Drug store.

We have a beautiful line of white ivory for Christmas. A. M. Lewis.

The Rev. Mitchell will sing "The Lost Chord" at the band concert.

For her Xmas present buy her a set of furs. Grayling Mercantile Co.

Mrs. Pearl Pholand of Beaver Creek is visiting Miss Irene Burton.

Mose Biondin of Cheboygan spent Sunday with his sisters, Blanche and Mrs. Dan Hossli.

Paul Ford left for Detroit Saturday night, where he expects to remain during the winter.

Ide Miles and Angie Van Patten attended the basket ball game at Gaylord on Friday last.

Special display and sale of ladies Furs on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Grayling Mercantile Co.

Fire insurance is too cheap to be without. Why are you so negligent? GIO. L. ALEXANDER & SON.

The W. R. C. will hold their annual election of officers Saturday, Dec. 12th. A general attendance is desired.

Henry Ginnick of Cheboygan arrived Tuesday afternoon and is again employed as night clerk at the Burton hotel.

Lowney's and other delicious chocolates, in handsome Christmas boxes, candies in bulk or boxes. Central Drug store.

The new Gymnasium that is being built by the Danish Young people is progressing rapidly and it is expected that it will be ready for business about January 1st.

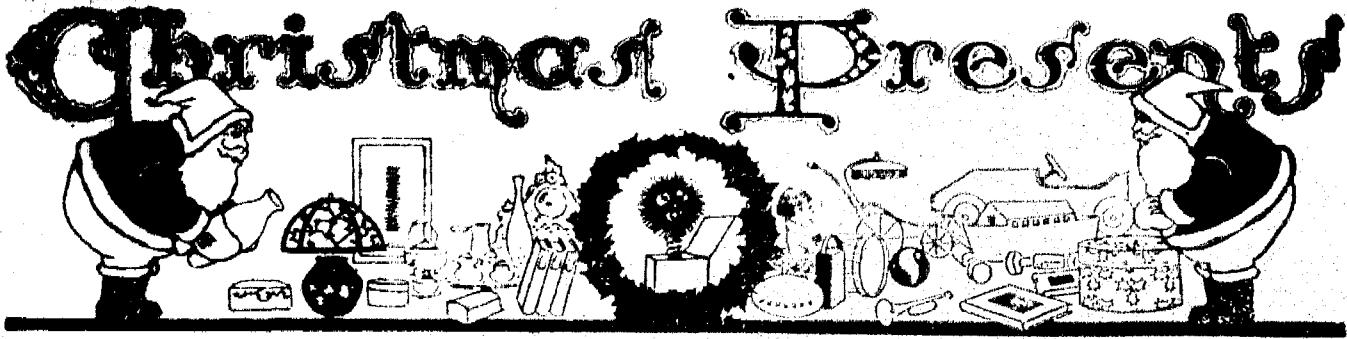
The Grayling band will give a concert at the Temple theatre Thursday, December 17th. Prof. Clark promises us the best concert that we have ever had by our band, and that's saying a lot, for we always hear something good from one band. The boys are practicing hard and are unusually enthusiastic. Don't miss hearing this concert and get your seats early at the Central Drug Store.

Recently a boat in spotted coal was sent Game Warden Babbitt from the State Game Warden's department with instructions to place the same in the Hiawatha National Reservation. The fawn was too young to be a marketable animal and was being cared for by Capt. Case at the Reservation. The state department has informed Mr. Babbitt that all wild game that comes into their possession will be sent to this place in the future. This being a game preserve as well as military camp, all game is protected from hunters.

Ross Gleason, the well known tenor singer, will sing at the Band concert.

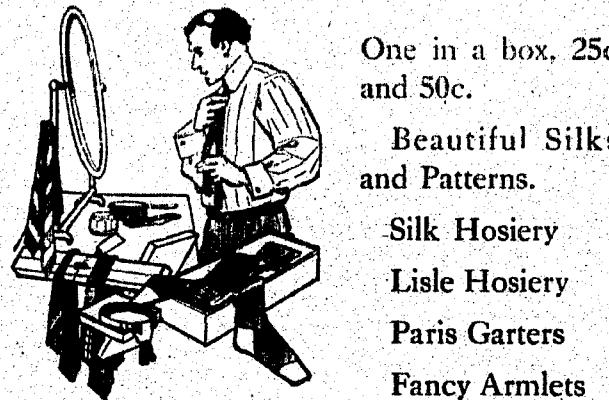
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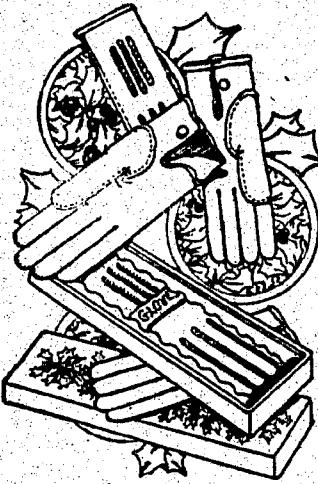
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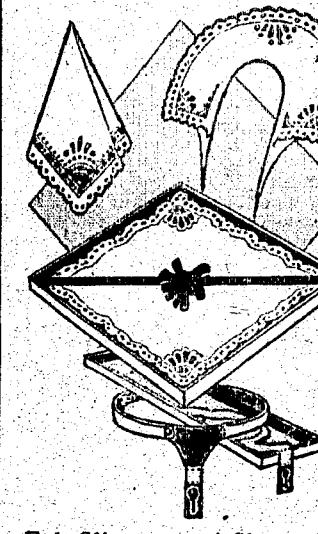
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Hundreds of articles that would appeal to you and that would make an ideal gift are here for your selection. Only twelve more shopping days. So come early.

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| 8.00 Coats | \$ 5.98 |
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| Sauer Kraut (Heinz) per lb. 5c, six for 50c |
| Honey, light or dark, per cake 20c, three for 10c |
| Catsup (pure) per large bottle 15c |
| Salmon (choice) 1 lb. tins 95c |
| Black Cross Tea (green) per lb. 50c, two for 20c |
| Carrots and Beets (freshly dug) pk. 30c |
| Tomatoes, 3 lb. sanitary tins 12c, three for 30c |
| Buckwheat Flour (pure) 10 lbs 40c |
| Marigold, the best bread spread, lb. 25c |

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PHONE 14

The Million Dollar Mystery

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

Illustrated from Scenes in the Photo Drama of the Same Name by the Thanhouser Film Company

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SYNOPSIS.

Stanley Hargrave, millionaire, after a miraculous escape from the den of the gang of brilliant thieves known as the Black Hundred, lives the life of a recluse for eighteen months. One night he visits a Broadway restaurant and there comes face to face with the gang's leader, Braine.

After the meeting, during which nothing definite is learned between the two, Hargrave hurries to his magnificent Riverside home and lays his plan for making his escape from the country. He has selected a quiet school in New Jersey where eighteen years before he had mysteriously left on the doorstep his baby daughter, Olga. He also has arranged to the hilt the plans of a daredevil aviator.

Braine and members of his band surround Hargrave's home at night, but as they enter the house the waiters outside shout "Fire!" and the safe is found empty—the million which Hargrave was known to have drawn that day was gone. Then some of the band members are found punctured and dropped into the sea.

Hargrave arrives from the girls' school. Princess Olga, his only companion, when her claims to a relative, Two Guards detective, call, but their plot is foiled by Norton, a newspaper man.

By bringing the captain of the Orient Orient, Captain of the Orient, into the gang, Princess Olga also visits the Orient's captain and she easily falls into the reporter's snare. The plan is to bring Hargrave to justice, but the Orient's captain, Norton, and the police again foil the plot.

Norton and the countess call on Florence the next day, once more safe at Hargrave's. The Countess has gone to remove a section of flooring and from a cavity takes a box. Pursued by members of the Black Hundred who have been watching his movements, he dashes to the water front. A thrilling race in motor boats ensues. Jones drops the box into the sea and with his automatic sets fire to the pursuing boat.

CHAPTER VI—Continued.

"Maybe it's just as well you did," said Jones moodily.

"I know this place. The housekeeper used to be my nurse, and if she is still on the job she may be of service to you. You don't think they'll question or recognize me?"

"Hardy, I'll put in a word for you. I'll say I sent for you, not knowing if we had enough servants to take care of the luncheon."

"And now I'll go and hunt up Meg. Sure enough, his old nurse was still in charge of the house, and when her 'baby' disclosed his identity she all but fell upon his neck."

"But what are you doing here, dressed up as a waiter?"

"The Lord only knows. But show me about the house. I've not been here in so long I've forgotten the run



Florence Was Chatting With the Count.

of it. I remember one room with the secret panel and another with a painting that turned. Have they changed them?"

"No; it is just the same here as it used to be. Come along and I'll show you."

Norton inspected the rooms carefully, stowing away in his mind every detail. He might be worrying about nothing; but so many strange things had happened that it was better to be on the side of caution than on the side of carelessness. He left the house and ran across Jones carrying a basket of wine."

"Here, Norton; take this to the party. I want to reconnoiter."

"All right, m'lud! Say, Jones, how much do you think I'd earn at this job?" comically.

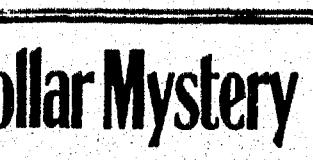
"Get along with you, Mr. Norton. It may be the time to laugh, and then it may not."

"I'm going back into the house and hide behind a secret panel. I've got my revolver. You go to the stables and take a try at my car; see if she works smoothly. We may have to do some hiking. Where is the countess in this?"

VAST JUNGLES OF PANAMA

Described by Traveler as Dense and Mysterious as Are Those of Africa.

There are jungles in Panama stretching away from the banks of Gatun lake, as dense and mysterious as those of Africa. The only canals men who know the jungles intimately are the surveyors who have charted the topography of the watershed, or who have made special investigations



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to withdraw from this warfare, which gradually decimated their numbers without getting anywhere toward the goal.

Jones shouted that the limousine was tearing down the road. Something must be done to stop it. He suggested that he drop behind, leave his horse, and take a chance at putting a tire from the shrubbery at the roadside.

"Keep going. Don't stop, Norton, till you are back in town. I'll manage to take good care of myself."

CHAPTER VII.

When all three finally met at the Hargrave home Florence suddenly took Jones by the shoulders and kissed him lightly on the cheek. Jones started back, pale and disturbed.

Norton laughed. He did not feel the slightest twinge of jealousy, but

he was laid down the rules; it was the way in which they were interpreted.

Braine heard of the failure. The Black Hundred was finding its stock far below par value. Four valuable men locked up in the Tombs awaiting trial, to say nothing of the seven gunmen gathered in at the old warehouse. Braine began to suspect that his failures were less due to chance than to calculation, that at last he had encountered a mind which anticipated his every move. He would have recognized this fact earlier had it not been that revenge had temporarily blinded him. The spirit of revenge ever makes for mental clarity.

There was a meeting that night of the Black Hundred. Four men were told off, and they drew their chairs up to Vroom's table for instructions. Braine sat at Vroom's elbow. These four men composed the most dangerous quartet in New York city. They were as daring as they were desperate. They were the men who held up bank messengers and got away with thousands. They had learned to swoop down upon their victims as the hawk swoops down upon the heron. The newspapers referred to them as the "auto bandits" and the men took a deal of pride in the furore they had created.

Vroom went over the Hargrave case minutely; he left no detail unexplained. Bluntly and frankly, the daughter of Stanley Hargrave must be caught and turned over to the care of the Black Hundred. It must be quick action. Four valuable members were in the Tombs. They might or might not weaken under pressure. For the first time in its American career the organization stood facing actual peril; and its one possible chance of salvation lay in the fact that no one's face was known to his neighbor. He, Vroom, and the boss alone knew who and what each man was. But the plans, the ramifications of the organization might become public property; and that would mean an end to an exceedingly profitable business.

The daughter of Hargrave rode horseback early every morning. She sought the country road. She was invariably attended by the riding master of a school near by.

"You four will make your own plans."

"If she should be injured?"

"Avoid it if possible."

"We have a free hand."

"Absolutely."

"We risk a bad fall from her horse if it's a spirited one."

"Prefer a breakdown in the road," interpolated Braine. "As they approach, draw and order them to dismount. That method will prevent any accident."

"We'll plan it somehow. It looks easy."

"Nothing is easy where that girl is concerned. A thousand eyes seem to be watching her slightest move."

"We shan't leave anything to chance. How many days will you give us?"

"Seven. A failure, mind you, will prove unhealthy to all concerned, with a menace which made the four stir uneasily."

"The telephone rang. Braine reached for the receiver."

"A man just entered the Hargrave house at the rear. Come at once," was the message.

"Is your car outside?" Braine asked.

"We are never without it."

"Then let us be off. No one will stop us for speeding on a side street."

Fourteen minutes by the clock brought the car to a stand at the curb a few houses below the Hargrave home. The men got out. The watcher ran up.

"He is still inside," he whispered.

"Good! Spread out. If anyone leaves that house, catch him. If he runs too fast, shoot. We can beat the police."

The man obeyed, and the watcher ran back to his post. He was desperately hoping the affair would terminate tonight. He was growing weary of this eternal vigilance, and it was only his fear of the man known as the boss that kept him at his post. He wanted to night to carouse in, to be with the boys.

The man for whom they were lying in wait was seen presently to creep cautiously round the side of the house. He hugged a corner and paused. They could see the dim outline of his body. The light in the street back of the grounds almost made a silhouette of him. By and by, as if assured that the coast was clear, he stole down to the street.

"Halt!"

Instantly the prowler took to his heels. Two shots rang out. The man was seen to stop, stagger, and then go on desperately.

"He's hit!"

By the time the men reached the corner they heard the rumble of a motor. One dashed back to the car they had left standing at the curb. He made quick work of the job, but he was not quick enough. Still, they gave chase. They saw the car turn toward the city. But, unfortunately for the success of the chase, several automobiles passed, going into town and leaving it. Checkmate.

Braine was keen enough tonight.

"He is hit; whether badly or not remains to be seen. We can find that out. Drive to the nearest drug store and get list of hospitals. It's time to one shot that we land him somewhere among the hospitals."

But they searched the hospitals in vain. None of them had that night received a shooting case, nor had they heard one reported. The man had been unmistakably hit. He would not have dared risk the loss of time for

such a thing as this.

"Queer duck!" mused the reporter as, after telephoning, he headed for his office. Queer duck, indeed! What a game it was going to be! And this man Jones was playing it like a master. It did not matter that some

girls can be told in a few isolated incidents that have happened to pass under my notice.

An orchid beckons from the branch of a tree, a pair of wild pigs dash away into the brush, a tiger cat shows its bright eyes for a moment, and, in a flash, the heron balances daintily on a reed by the river, an alligator slides from a mud bank into the water, monkeys bark in the trees, a lion growls—such slight things sum up my jungle life.

The lion of the Panama jungle is of

two kinds—black and tawny. Full

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"Perhaps I'm to blame," admitted Braine. "I should have advised Miles to stalk him and put him if he got the chance. There's a master mind working somewhere back of all this, and it's time the man had got away."

"I heard some noise, but I was so sleepy I didn't try to figure out what it was."

"Did you, Jones?"

"Yes, Miss Florence. The shots came from the street. A policeman came running up later and said he saw two automobiles on the run. But evidently there wasn't anybody hurt. One has to be careful at night nowadays. There are pretty bad men abroad. Did you enjoy the ride?"

"Very much. But there were spots of blood on the walk near the corner."

"Blood?" Jones caught the back of a chair to steady himself.

"You are not holding up a bank-messenger this trip. Remember that. Drive me as far as Columbus circle. Leave me on the side street, between the lights, so I can take off this mask."

Later Braine sauntered into Pabst and ordered a light supper. This night's work, more than anything else, brought home to him the fact that his luck was changing. For years he had proceeded with his shady occupations without encountering any memorable failure. He moved in the high world, quite unsuspected. He had written books, given lectures, been made a lion of, all the while laughing in his sleeve at the gullibility of human nature. But within the last two weeks he had received serious checks. From now on he must move with the utmost caution.

Some one was playing his own game, waging warfare unseen. A battle of wits! So be it; but Braine intended to play with rough wits, and he wasn't going to care which way the sword went.

"Miss Florence, if I thought it wise, you should be packed off to Miss Farlow's this minute. But not an hour of the day or night passes without this house being watched. I seldom see anybody about. I can only sense the presence of a watcher. At Miss Farlow's you would be far more like a prisoner than here. I could not accompany you. I am forbidden to desert this house."

"My father's orders?"

Jones signified neither one way nor the other. He merely gazed stolidly at the rug.

"That blood!" She sprang from her chair, horrified. "It was his! He was here last night, and they shot him! Last!"

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VITAL FORCE

Disease germs are on every hand. They are in the very air we breathe. A system "run down" is a prey for them. One must have vital force to withstand them. Vital force depends on digestion—on whether or not food nourishes—on the quality of blood coursing through the body.

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are recognized all over the world to be the best corrective of troubles of the digestive organs. They tone the stomach, stimulate the liver, regulate the bowels. They cleanse the system, purify the blood and set in the best and safest way.

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Large Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10s., 2s.

DODGING THE BEATEN PATH

Good Story as it is Related. Though It Doesn't Often Happen in Real Life.

Congressman Robert L. Doughtery of North Carolina smiled when the conversation turned to reversing the order of things. He said he was reminded of the case of Bowers.

Bowers met a benevolent party on a railroad train one day, and as the acquaintance ripened a bit he began to spread before the other the history of his life.

"When I was a clerk in a grocery store," remarked Bowers, among other things, "I received only nine dollars a week and, like many other young men, I fell in with bad company and began to gamble, I—"

"I see," interrupted the benevolent party, sadly, "you were tempted and took money which did not belong to you."

"Oh, no," cheerfully responded Bowers. "In less than a month I won enough money to buy the grocery."

Son Doubts Dad's Marksmanship.

Dr. Dan W. Layman, who has a muskellunge catching record, and who is proud of his ability in the hunting field, tells a good story on himself. Mrs. Layman had just completed reading an article in the News on the foot-and-mouth cattle disease and the possibility of rabbits being infected with the malady, when the doctor said to her:

"Mother, I believe I will go hunting the rest of the week."

"I don't believe I would go if I were you. I am afraid the rabbits are all sick," replied Mrs. Layman.

Then seven-year-old Dan, Jr., spoke up. "Let father go, mother," he said. "Maybe he could hit a rabbit if they are all sick."

Take It or Leave It.
Traveler (in Southern hotel)—Can I get anything to eat here?

Sambo—Yes, sah.

Traveler—Such as what?

Sambo—Such as it is, sah.

**A Taste
Of Health
Is Sweet**

And some folks use it toward money and fame.

Are you eating right for health?

**Grape-Nuts
FOOD**

is delicious with cream; easy to digest—in fact, partially pre-digested; and perfect in nourishment.

It contains all the nutrition of wheat and barley, including the vital mineral salts (phosphate of potash, etc.) in just the right proportion as grown in the grains.

A regular ration of Grape-Nuts in place of rich, greasy, indigestible food generally shows a definite gain.

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"There's a Reason" for Grape-Nuts

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Hanging the Mistletoe

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CUSTOM OF GIVING IS OLD

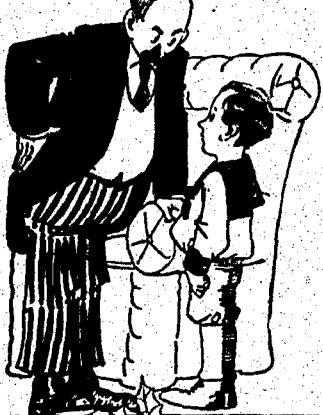
Popular Practices Associated With Christmas Ancient as Rome's Seven Hills.

WHEN Caligula, at the Roman Kalends preceding the New Year, realized that his daughter was going to be married while, to all intents and purposes, he was broke, although he was running the great Roman empire, he sent out word that if his countrymen were going to send him gifts that year, they might as well make their gifts cash to help him provide her with a proper dowry. Next day he had to wade through hills of gold at his palace door.

Our Christmas giving, as a custom, is as old as Rome's seven hills. The old Romans used to start in with their Saturnalia, and a few days later, at January 1, they dashed jubilantly into the Kalends. It was the season for feasting and merrymaking, with profuse and universal generosity thrown in for good measure.

In the homes of the wealthy luxurious abundance prevailed; in the dwellings of the poor there was always some striving for the makings of a feast. All that was connected with toll was abandoned; even the children didn't have to go to school. The very slaves were permitted to forget their thralldom. From end to end of the vast empire people vied with one another in giving presents, and the very miserly were expected then to open their coffers and remember that money was made to be spent, not hoarded.

So there, in ancient Rome, were all the popular makings of our own Christmas season, right down to the school holidays.

KINDHEARTED.

"Are you going to hang up your stocking on Christmas eve?" asked the boy's uncle, patronizingly.

"I suppose so," answered the boy, still more patronizingly. "Father and mother seem to expect that sort of thing, and it would be a pity to disappoint them."

Couldn't Have.
"Bub! I bet you didn't have a good time at your Christmas party yesterday" taunted Billy.

"I bet I did," answered little Eddie. "Aw, go 'way. Why ain't you sick today, if you did?"

Near-Useful Xmas Gifts.

Burnt wood pipe racks.

Hand painted necklaces.

Fancy pen wipers.

Silver match safes.

Ornamental collar boxes.

Papa's Suggestion.
Miss Fodick (who is self-willed)—I wish I knew what to give dear Charles for a Christmas gift.

Fodick, pers (who hates "dear Charles")—Give him a wide berth.

Christmas Beauty.

Think lovely thoughts in keeping with the spirit of the time.

—Charles Dickens



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You can sew, embroider or read for hours at a time without fatigue or strain with the RAYO LAMP. Experts agree that the light given by a good kerosene lamp is not so bright and restful to the eyes—you will soon learn that no lamp equals it.

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Makes the long winter evenings the happiest times of the year—the family will look forward to them. Sold in every hardware store everywhere—now in use in progressive middle western homes.

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Standard Oil Company
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Canadian Wheat to Feed the World

The war's fearful devastation of European crops has caused an unusual demand for grain from the American Continent. The people of the world must be fed and there is an unusual demand for Canadian wheat. Canada's invitation to every industrious American is therefore especially attractive. She wants farmers to make money and happy, prosperous homes for themselves while helping her to raise immense wheat crops.

You can get Homestead of 160 acres FREE and other lands can be bought at remarkably low prices. Think of the money you can make with wheat at its present high prices, where for some time it is liable to continue. During many years Canadian wheat-fields have averaged 20 bushels to the acre—many yields as high as 45 bushels to the acre. Wonderful crops also of Oats, Barley and Flax.

Mixed farming is fully as profitable an industry as grain raising. The excellent grasses, full of nutrition, are the only food required either for beef or dairy purposes. Good schools, markets convenient, climate excellent.

Military service is not compulsory in Canada, but there is an extra demand for farm labor to replace the many young men who have volunteered for the war. The Government is urging farmers to put extra acreage into grain.

Write to the Canadian Government Agent, Superintendent Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or to the Canadian Government Agent, 176 Jefferson Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Saved by Gold Chain.

A gold chain that she wore around her neck, saved a little girl of Cambridgeport, England, from serious injury, recently. She was on her way to Sunday school when a bullet exploded by the wheels of a trolley car hit her on the neck. She felt a stinging sensation in her neck and discovered a bloodless cut about an inch long. On looking in at a window she saw that the chain she wore about her neck was cut. She put her hand into the bosom of her dress and found the bullet. A search of the tracks revealed several exploded cartridges. The police believe they may be a part of the shipment that was stolen from a freight car a short time ago.

Important to Mothers.
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the

Signature of Wilbur D. Nesbit.
In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

To Clean Milk Utensils.

On dairy farms where many milk utensils are in use, the dishwasher will find that they may be cleaned easily by first scouring each dish with ashes. Rubbing them over once in this way is sufficient; then rinse twice. They should be washed in cold or preferably tepid water, to keep them sweet and clean. The treatment will prevent rust spots from forming and keep the utensils bright without injuring the tin. —Mother's Magazine.

To Get Rid of Pimplies.

Smear the affected surface with Cuticura Ointment. Let it remain five minutes, then wash off with Cuticura Soap and hot water and continue bathing a few minutes. These fragrant, super-creamy emollients quickly clear the skin of pimplies, blackheads, redness and roughness, the scalp of dandruff and itching and the hands of chaps and irritations. For free sample each with 32-p. Skin Book address post card: Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston. Sold everywhere. Adv.

Has to Be.

"Don't you think that judge's speech is inclined to be prosy?"

"Well, naturally, he's sententious."

Curious Suit.
A curious exposition of callousness and greed was recently made in a civil suit brought against Colorado surgeon. He became interested in the case of a cripple whom he found begging in the street, and by an operation requiring great skill removed his disability. The relatives of the cripple promptly brought suit against the physician for removing their means of support, claiming that, as a cripple, the youth had brought them in an average of about five dollars daily, while now they were compelled to support him until he could gain the means of earning his living. The judge promptly dismissed the suit on hearing the case of the prosecution.

Plaint of the Pessimist.

"Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives."

"But it has its suspicions."

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Local News

Frank Dreece is in Chicago on business.

The Methodist fair and supper was well patronized and as usual a pleasant affair.

We will appreciate your patronage at the antiseptic barber shop. Walter Cowell, proprietor.

School will close Tuesday, Dec. 22, for a vacation of two weeks, reuming work on Wednesday, Jan. 6.

The next number on the entertainment course will be given by Edward Elliott, entertainer and character portrayer, Monday evening, Dec. 21, at the Temple theatre.

Tax payers are hereby notified that the tax rolls for the township of Grayling are in the hands of the treasurer at the Bank of Grayling, ready for the collection of taxes. 12-3 tf.

Henry Joseph, Wilhelm Raue, Geo. Colen, Jas. W. Overton and Edward S. Houghton were elected to membership of the local K. of P. lodge last night. Also officers were nominated for election at the regular meeting.

Gen. Keya, brigade general of the uniform rank, K. of P., will be in Grayling next Wednesday night for the purpose of assisting to organize a uniform rank here, in connection with the local order. Members are requested to be present.

There will be a negro Jubilee Singers concert at the Temple theatre next Tuesday night, under the auspices of the M. E. church of this city. This company comes highly recommended and a high class concert may be expected. Reserved seats will be on sale at the C. J. Hathaway jewelry store.

The first passenger train to run i. to Atlanta, county seat of Montmorency county, left Boyne City Monday night at five o'clock. The train carried a representative delegation of Boyne City business men. The new line is a branch of the Boyne City, Gaylord & Alpena railroad and is known as the "White" line.

The columns of the Avalanche are more than usually crowded with advertising this week so naturally there isn't quite as much news as usual; however our subscribers will find many things to interest them in the advertisements and we suggest that they read every on. A lot of beautiful and useful things suitable for Christmas gifts are being offered, and almost every store has some special bargain to offer this week.

Artistic Decorating.
As well as house painting can be had at a nominal price, by giving your order during the winter or spring work. See me about prices and suggestions for satisfactory work.

12-10-11. NEMESIS NIELSEN, Artist.

M. E. Church Notes.

Come to the M. E. church on Sunday morning and evening, time 10:30 and 7:00 o'clock. On Sunday morning the pastor will preach on the subject, "Noah's Ark". Come early to get a seat. The building is nicely heated.

At our Sunday school last week we had 160 scholars. Parents, send your children for sound Bible instruction; we will care for them.

The Epworth Leaguers have arranged to collect linen and cloth suitable for bandages for the battlefield hospitals on the continent of Europe. They appeal to Grayling ladies for parcels of useful cloth and will make a collection of same during next week. Free transportation is arranged across the Atlantic. Help the sufferers.

Irl R. Hicks' 1915 Almanac.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks' Almanac, now ready, grows more popular and useful with each passing year. It is a fixed necessity in homes, shops and commercial establishments all over this continent. This famous and valuable year book on astronomy, storms, weather and earthquakes should be in every home and office. Professor Hicks completes this best issue of his great Almanac at the close of his seventieth year. The Almanac will be mailed for 35 cents. The Rev. Irl R. Hicks' fine magazine, Word and Works, is sent one year, with a copy of his Almanac, for only one dollar. Send for them to Word and Works Publishing Co., 3401 Franklin Ave., St. Louis, Mo. You will never regret your investment. Try it for 1915. 12-3-3

LOUISE DUNBAR WITH "THE FORBIDDEN WAY."

Won Many Friends Here in the "Light Eternal" Production.

To the many friends of Miss Dunbar it will be a pleasure to learn that she has found in her new play, "The Forbidden Way," a worthy successor to the "Light Eternal." In fact, this new play is a better vehicle for displaying Miss Dunbar's professional abilities as it exhibits her versatility.

"The Forbidden Way" it can be truthfully said is an ideal play for Miss Dunbar. Every situation is so forcefully enacted, every sentiment is brought out with such fine feeling that one leaves the theatre willing to acknowledge that they have for once seen a star, company and a play, in perfect harmony.

Furthermore "The Forbidden Way" does not have to depend for the intense interest sustained from the first to the last curtain, upon immorality or even suggestiveness. The play is so natural in its unfolding, the several characters are so true to life that you almost forget that you are in a theatre.

It is an axiom among dramatists "That reality not realism is necessary for a play to be successful," which is certainly proven in "The Forbidden Way." There is not a character in this play that you have not seen in every day life.

"The Forbidden Way" with Louise Dunbar in the leading role will be seen at the Grayling opera house on Tuesday, Dec. 15th.

We will pay 5 cents per pound for clean wiping rags. Avalanche.

Correspondence

Frederick School Notes.

School opened Tuesday, Dec. 1st, after being closed two weeks on account of diphtheria.

The first number of the lecture course will be given Thursday, Dec. 17th. Season tickets are one dollar. For sale by high school students.

The girls and boys basketball team play their first game at Gaylord this week Friday, Dec 11th.

Owing to the ill health of Mrs. T. E. Lewis, she has had to give up her position in the intermediate room. The vacancy is filled by Miss Judge of Alma, Mich., who comes to us very highly recommended.

The Literary society held an open meeting last Wednesday evening in the high school room. The program was very cleverly presented to a room full of people who greatly appreciated the work. We are very glad to see such an interest taken on the part of the parents and we hope that the next meeting, which will be Wednesday night of next week, will be as well attended.

The high school advanced arithmetic class are doing practical work in measuring land and the boys seem to enjoy it.

The reading table receives the Moderator Topics.

The teachers are now starting their Christmas programs. We are a little late this year, owing to the closing of the school in November.

Beaver Creek Breezes.

Mr. and Mrs. Nielson have recently moved to Grayling, where they will reside for the winter.

The Wellington post office has been moved to the home of Mrs. Jen. Hanson.

Mrs. Freeman has moved to Grayling for the winter.

Miss Pearl Pholand is visiting at the home of Joe Burton in Grayling.

Mrs. Mary Williams of Tekonsha is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Failing.

Lovellia.

Mrs. E. McCormick is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ira Johnston at Vanderbilt. She expects to return home Wednesday.

Misses Matilda Foley and Margaret Douglas spent Sunday in Grayling.

Douglas Kennedy left Monday for Mio.

C. F. Underhill returned home Saturday from a business trip to Saginaw.

We have just received information that the First National Nurseries of Rochester, N. Y., want lady or gentlemen representatives in this section to sell all kinds of roses, shrubs, trees and seeds. They inform us that without previous experience it is possible to make good wages every week. Any one out of employment write them for term and enclose this notice. 11-19-8

Council Proceedings.

A regular meeting of the Common council of the village of Grayling convened at the town hall Monday evening, December 7th, 1914. Meeting called to order by President pro tem Peterson. Trustees present: Peterson, Jorgenson, Taylor, Cook and Herrick. Trustees absent: Canfield. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Report of the Finance committee read, to wit:

To the president and members of the Common council of the village of Grayling: Your committee on Finance, Claims, and Accounts respectfully recommend that the accompanying bills be allowed as follows:

Julius Nelson, pay roll ending

November 30, \$55.01

Salling, Hanson Co., cement50

J. C. R. R. Co., freight 8.36

O. P. Schumann, printing 4.00

Grayling Electric Co., service 124.00

Central Coal Co., sewer pipe 26.12

F. R. Deckrow, sidewalk rebate, 12.40

School District No 1, sidewalk

rebate 56.47

C. C. Fehr, fire report Oct. 30th, 7.00

C. C. Fehr, fire report Nov. 9th, 15.00

C. C. Fehr, fire report Nov. 16th, 18.00

C. C. Fehr, fire report Dec. 5th, 10.00

Geo L. Alexander, invoice, Dec. 7th, 13.00

A. TAYLOR, W. JORGENSEN, Committee.

Moved by Jorgenson and supported by Herrick that the report of the Finance committee be accepted and orders drawn on the treasurer for the amounts. Motion carried.

Petition signed by a number of citizens, to have the flagman at Lake street crossing reinstated, was presented to the council, and it was moved by Jorgenson and supported by Cook that the petition be accepted and the president and clerk be instructed to apply to the railroad company to have said flagman reinstated. Motion carried.

Moved by Herrick and supported by Cook that the bill of Drs. Insley & Keyport be accepted and referred to the Board of Supervisors for reimbursement. Motion carried. Moved by Cook and supported by Jorgenson that the bill of Mercy hospital for care of Bradish children be allowed and referred to the Board of Supervisors for reimbursement. Motion carried. Moved by Herrick and supported by Taylor that we adjourn. Motion carried.

T. P. PETERSON, Village Clerk.

How about some nice engraved cards and some monogram stationery for Christmas presents? They are ideal and sensible.

Sick Two Years With Indigestion.

"Two years ago I was greatly benefited through using two or three bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mrs. S. A. Keller, Elida, Ohio. "Before taking them I was sick for two years with indigestion." Sold by all dealers.

Adv.

WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 15 cents. There are about six words to the line. SEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.

ROOM for rent. Phone 1004 or inquire of Mrs. Laura Schroeder.

LOST—Purse containing sum of money, small flat brass key and personal cards. Finder please notify this office or Miss Clelia Clark at South side school. 12-10-3.

LARGE SIZE—Phonograph and 100 records for cash or trade. What have you? Victor Salling. 12-10-2.

FOR SALE—Four horse power gasoline engine. Chris Hoesli, phone 1084.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, one with bath. Inquire of Mrs. E. F. Mataon.

PLAIN SEWING wanted, that I can do at home. Just east of Madsen's addition on the south side of the river. Drop a card in the post office and I will call for the work, and believe I can satisfy you. Mrs. Sarah Deket. 11-26-2W.

STOVE and furniture repairing and upholstering. South side, next to Hendrickson's tailor shop. Robert McQuaid. 11-19-4.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy—the Mothers' Favorite.

"I give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to my children when they have colds or coughs," writes Mrs. Verne Shaffer, Vandegrift, Pa. "It always helps them and is far superior to any other cough medicine I have used. I advise anyone in need of such a medicine to give it a trial. For sale by all dealers.

Don't forget to book your seat for the

Negro Jubilee Singers

They will give a Grand Concert at the Temple Theatre on Tuesday Evening next

Rev. A. Mitchell has arranged with the Negro Jubilee Sextette to render a high class concert of Plantation Songs and Melody.

Admission 35c Reserved Seats 50c
Children under twelve 15c

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